

## EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

### INTRODUCTION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA POLICE HOME RULE ACT

**HON. ELEANOR HOLMES NORTON**

OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 2, 2023*

Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce the District of Columbia Police Home Rule Act, which would repeal the president's authority to federalize the local District of Columbia Police Department, the Metropolitan Police Department (MPD). The president has no authority to federalize any other local or state police department. Senator CHRIS VAN HOLLEN is the sponsor of the companion bill in the Senate.

Under the D.C. Home Rule Act, "whenever the President . . . determines that special conditions of an emergency nature exist which require the use of the [MPD] for Federal purposes, he may direct the Mayor to provide him, and the Mayor shall provide, such services of the [MPD] as the President may deem necessary and appropriate." The president may federalize MPD for a period of not more than 30 days, unless a resolution passed by Congress extending such federalization is enacted into law. Congress may also terminate the federalization at any time by enacting a resolution into law. This bill is necessary, even with these limitations on the president's federalization authority, because, under the principle of self-government, the president should not have control over D.C.'s local police department.

While it does not appear that a president has exercised this authority over MPD, this latent power is totally unnecessary, should not exist and is an affront to MPD, which has always voluntarily assisted federal authorities. Given the events at Lafayette Square on June 1, 2020, it is imperative that no president be allowed to federalize MPD. Although the Trump Administration did not federalize MPD at that time, the administration attempted to do so, and D.C. officials successfully fought back. MPD's first responsibility is to protect D.C. residents and visitors, and it must always remain under the authority of the D.C. Mayor to accomplish its mission. Moreover, federalization is outdated in light of current practice. MPD regularly assists the federal government as a matter of comity, not as an arm of the federal government, just as other local police departments do in the region and across the country. There are approximately 30 federal police departments under the president's control in D.C. In the case of a federal emergency, the president can unilaterally deploy these federal officers, as well as the D.C. National Guard, and can also request the support of MPD, as the Capitol Police did during the attack on the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021. The House's Fiscal Year 2022 and 2023 D.C. Appropriations Bills blocked the president from carrying out the federalization provision.

This is an important step to increase home rule for D.C., and I urge my colleagues to support this bill.

### CONGRATULATING THE SOUTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY JACKRABBITS FOOTBALL TEAM

**HON. DUSTY JOHNSON**

OF SOUTH DAKOTA  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 2, 2023*

Mr. JOHNSON of South Dakota. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate the South Dakota State University Jackrabbits football team for their win in the Division I National Championship Subdivision Championship game in Frisco, Texas. SDSU defeated the North Dakota State University Bison by a score of 45 to 21.

This season, the SDSU Jackrabbits finished with an overall record of 14 wins and 1 loss. The Jackrabbits have qualified for the Football Championship Subdivision Playoffs the past 11 seasons. Mr. Speaker, this is a huge accomplishment for the Jackrabbits and truly exemplifies all their hard work.

Today I also rise to congratulate Coach John Stiegelmeier on his retirement after 26 seasons as the head coach. I commend Coach Stiegelmeier for his dedication and service to the SDSU football program.

### HONORING JOE QUINN

**HON. SETH MAGAZINER**

OF RHODE ISLAND  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 2, 2023*

Mr. MAGAZINER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life of a good Democrat, a great American, and an even better husband, father, and grandfather, Joe Quinn. After 89 years of life, Joseph Raymond Quinn sadly passed away on December 30, 2022.

As an elementary school teacher, Congressional aide, and political activist, Joe was an involved member of his community. After embarking upon a 33-year career as an educator, Joe served as a part-time staffer to 3 U.S. Representatives over the course of 5 decades. In this role, Joe helped to deliver constituent services to his neighbors, and he most enjoyed interviewing applicants for nominations to the United States military service academies, attending Eagle Scout ceremonies, and resolving constituent's concerns.

Joe was also strongly committed to community service, and his greatest passion was politics and government. Joe was a fixture in Town and County Democratic parties for more than 60 years, and he served as Chairperson of the Smithtown Democratic Party for more than 20 years, where he guided the campaigns of countless candidates. He also represented the party at several Democratic Na-

tional Conventions as a New York State delegate. His dedication to the Town and County Democrats continued beyond his tenure as Chairperson, and he only recently stepped back from active politics, after his reduced mobility prevented him from "pounding the pavement" in support of candidates.

Joe never passed up an opportunity to enjoy music, friendship, travel, or sporting events. He was a proud alumnus of Iona College and an avid supporter of their college basketball program. In 2006, he was recognized by Iona College as Alumnus of the Year. Joe was also a 5-time marathon runner, an avid reader, and a lover of nature and camping.

Joe will be remembered by his beloved and devoted wife, Anne M. Quinn and their 10 children and their spouses: Kathleen Siebert and husband Mark, Terence Quinn, Brendan Quinn and wife Nancy, Marybeth McGann, Patrick Quinn and wife Elizabeth, Neil Quinn and wife Penny, Timothy Quinn and wife Lori, Regina Ruoff and husband Mike, Laurence Quinn and wife Jeanmarie, and Julianne Kelly and husband James, along with their grandchildren and great grandchildren.

### HONORING THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF DR. NOA EMMETT AUWAE ALULI

**HON. JILL N. TOKUDA**

OF HAWAII  
IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 2, 2023*

Ms. TOKUDA. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the life and legacy of Dr. Noa Emmett Auwae Aluli, a pillar in the Native Hawaiian community who sadly passed away on November 30, 2022, at the age of 78.

Dr. Aluli was a Native Hawaiian physician, activist, and mentor to so many on Molokai and across Hawaii. He spent his life working to improve the health and well-being of Native Hawaiians and advocating for the protection of their lands, rights, and resources.

Born on the island of Oahu in 1944, Dr. Aluli grew up in Kailua and graduated from St. Louis High School. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Marquette University in Wisconsin in 1966 and was one of 5 Native Hawaiians who were part of the first graduating class from the University of Hawaii's School of Medicine in 1975. Following a one-year family health residency on Molokai, he began a 46-year career in private practice at the Molokai Family Health Center and Clinic. Dr. Aluli dedicated his life to serving his patients on Molokai, even in the final days before his passing.

As part of his legacy, Dr. Aluli is best known for pioneering a Native Hawaiian approach to health care in rural Hawaiian communities. Dr. Aluli championed food as medicine and elevating traditional practices. To address many of the chronic health conditions prevalent in Native Hawaiian communities, Dr. Aluli worked

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with kupuna to conduct the first Native Hawaiian heart study to learn more about the impact of a traditional Hawaiian foods diet in effectively reducing risk factors for heart disease, diabetes, and obesity. The study, which engaged more than 300 Molokai Hawaiian homesteaders, found significant improvements in participants' health and laid the groundwork for indigenous health data sovereignty in Hawaii—community-based participatory research directed by and for Native Hawaiians.

Following the study, Dr. Aluli co-founded Nā Pu'uawai, the Native Hawaiian Health Care System that serves Molokai and Lanai. He also created the Native Hawaiian Physicians Association to create a professional support network of Native Hawaiian healthcare providers. Dr. Aluli's passion for health care also led him to help draft federal legislation: the Native Hawaiian Health Care Improvement Act, which established the Native Hawaiian Health Care Systems and Papa Ola Lokahi to promote health and disease interventions to improve the health status of Native Hawaiians. His actions continue to influence federal legislative priorities and policies to advance Native Hawaiian health care.

Dr. Aluli also worked to protect the lands, rights, and resources of Native Hawaiians. Most notably, Dr. Aluli was part of the "Kahoolawe Nine," the first group of people who stood up against the U.S. Navy's bombing of Kahoolawe in 1976, occupying the island for 2 days in protest. During that time, Dr. Aluli surveyed the damage caused by the military explosives including bomb craters and unexploded devices. It was not until 1990 after court action and a series of other occupations that the U.S. ceased bombing on Kahoolawe and in 2003, the island was returned to the State of Hawaii. Dr. Aluli played a pivotal role in getting the Navy to stop bombing the island and supported key efforts to rehabilitate Kahoolawe.

According to the Aluli 'Ohana, Dr. Aluli once said, "We commit for generations, not just for careers. We set things up now so that they'll be carried on. We look ahead together so that many of us share the same vision and dream. To our next generations we say, Go with the spirit. Take the challenge. Learn something. Give back."

Dr. Aluli's impact goes well beyond his service as a Native Hawaiian physician. He inspired generations of Native Hawaiian medical professionals, practitioners, activists, and leaders. Dr. Aluli's passing leaves behind a significant a in accessing health care on Molokai and in Native Hawaiian health care more broadly. As the U.S. Representative for Hawaii's, Second Congressional District, which encompasses Hawaii's 8 major islands including Molokai, I am committed to continuing his legacy to improve health care access for rural communities, address health disparities, and strengthen pathways to health professions.

Today, I ask that my colleagues join me in celebrating the life and honoring the legacy of a visionary, Dr. Noa Emmett Auwae Aluli.

## COMMENDING EU SUPPORT OF UKRAINE AMONG ONGOING ATTACKS

**HON. JOE WILSON**

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 2, 2023*

Mr. WILSON of South Carolina. Mr. Speaker, further validating the immediate need for the world to support Ukraine in their battle against Putin's ongoing murderous and destructive invasion, this week Russian missiles hit residential areas in eastern Ukraine, killing more civilians and wounding many others.

This latest attack comes just as European Union officials, including European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen and EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs Josep Borrell, met with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy for their first such summit since late 2021.

With the EU as a partner in this global effort to help the people of Ukraine during their critical time of need President von der Leyen confirmed that EU assistance for Ukraine had now reached \$55 billion dollars.

Worldwide unity opposing war criminal Putin is reinforced with courageous Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu of Israel conducting a policy review for supplying defensive weapons to Ukraine.

During today's joint press conference with President Zelenskyy, President von der Leyen said, "It has been almost one year since Putin launched his brutal invasion. One year of suffering but also of legendary bravery by the Ukrainian people. And one year of impressive unity by the global community. Europe has been by Ukraine's side since day one. Because we know that the future of our continent is being written here. We know that they are fighting for more than themselves. What is at stake is freedom. This is a fight of democracies against authoritarian regimes. Putin tries to deny the existence of Ukraine, but what he risks instead is the future of Russia. Our presence in Kyiv today gives a very clear signal: The whole of the European Union is in this with Ukraine, for the long haul. We will stand up for Ukraine, as we stand up for the fundamental rights and the respect of the international law."

She went further to say, "Overall, the European Union's economic, humanitarian and military support for Ukraine amounts now, since the beginning of the war, to almost EUR 50 billion. It is important for us to give economic security to our friends in Ukraine."

I am grateful for the leadership of President von der Leyen and the European Union for their tremendous support of Ukraine in their battle for freedom against the war criminal Putin.

God Bless the United States of America. God Bless Ukraine. Ukraine will achieve victory.

**KARSYN FETZER**

**HON. YADIRA CARAVEO**

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 2, 2023*

Ms. CARAVEO. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate all who were involved in this tre-

mendous year for the National Western Stock Show. Not only was it a successful year for the world-class Stock Show, held right here in our backyard, but it was a special year for our community in the 8th Congressional District.

I would like to recognize 2 young Weld County residents who made a big impression this year.

Eighteen-year-old Justin Pfannebecker from LaSalle was the first teen from Colorado to win the title of the Grand Champion steer in more than a quarter-century. He auctioned his grand champion steer, Stan the Man, for a record \$200,000.

Sixteen-year-old Karsyn Fetzer from Kersey also excelled in the show ring and auctioned her Reserve Grand Champion Hog, Lil G for a record \$75,000.

These accomplishments speak to the hard work and perseverance these young Coloradans embody. They are tremendous representatives of our community, and I have no doubt this year's success is a harbinger for what is to come for these exemplary young people.

In large part because of these accolades, the National Western Stock Show raised a record \$585,000 that will go to scholarships for agriculture studies, rural medicine, and students' agricultural endeavors across Colorado.

I'm proud of the immense amount of time, work, and talent that ensures the success of this event every year—and the important economic impact it has on the Denver Metro Area.

Thanks to all who contribute to the success of the Stock Show. I look forward to more sweet victories for CO-08 residents in the years to come.

**HONORING SARAH CORLEY**

**HON. TOM COLE**

OF OKLAHOMA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 2, 2023*

Mr. COLE. Mr. Speaker, I rise today out of gratitude to my wonderful Director of Strategic Communications, Sarah Corley. Sarah, an Oklahoma girl, born and raised in Oklahoma City, is an alumna of Oklahoma Baptist University where she graduated with a double major in Finance and Marketing.

Sarah has worked in my Congressional office in Washington, D.C. on two separate occasions. She served diligently as my Press Secretary from 2013 to 2016. Then she went off to spread her wings at the Phillips Collection as Media Relations manager and as Press Secretary at the House Budget Committee under my dear friend and former colleague, Chairman Dianne Black. In 2018, my staff and I were lucky to welcome Sarah back for a second time to again lead my press office and lead the Republican communications efforts for me at the House Rules Committee beginning in 2019.

Sarah's sharp insights, incredible talent, and natural curiosity make her a triple threat in a world in need of more people with quality traits. Sarah has a passion for art, fashion, traveling the world and service to others. In fact, she has been an active member of the Washington, D.C. Chapter of the Junior League during her time here. She also recently completed a certificate in Professional

Image Consulting with the Fashion Institute of Technology.

Sarah's contributions to my office and my success in serving the Fourth District of Oklahoma and the Rules Committee have been invaluable as an experienced communicator with a wealth of knowledge and insight. I will forever cherish and have gratitude for her guidance, creativeness and counsel.

Mr. Speaker, after 11 years in Washington, D.C., Sarah is moving on and moving back to Oklahoma for now. I know she has family and friends in Oklahoma to welcome her home and she will excel in amazing ways in everything she sets her mind on. I hope she always remembers she has friends in Washington, D.C. as well. I am excited to see what she will accomplish next.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. STEVE COHEN

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 2023

Mr. COHEN. Mr. Speaker, I was attending the funeral of my constituent Tyre Nichols in Memphis and was unable to vote. Had I been present, I would have voted Nay on the following bills:

H. Res. 83—Roll Call 101 and Roll Call 102;  
H.R. 139—Roll Call 103;  
H.J. Res. 7—Roll Call 104; and  
H. Res. 76—Roll Call 105.

I would have voted Present on the following bill:

H. Con. Res. 9—Roll Call 106.

#### HONORING AND CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF CHARLES "CHUCK" ALEXANDER OF SAN JOSE, CA

### HON. ZOE LOFGREN

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 2023

Ms. LOFGREN. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute to Mr. Charles "Chuck" Alexander, whose lifetime of service and commitment to California's South Bay warrants special recognition. Chuck had a relentless commitment to bettering others and his community. His loss will be profoundly felt by myself and so many others in the South Bay.

Born in Vernon, Texas, Chuck and his family made their way to Stockton, California in 1950. A few years later, Chuck graduated from Thomas Jefferson High School and moved to San Jose State University on a football scholarship. He was one of the founding members of San Jose State University's Kappa Alpha Psi-Delta Rho fraternity. During this era of great unrest and long overdue calls for racial justice, Chuck operated the Good Brothers home in San Jose, which ensured Black students and Black student-athletes had housing. Chuck graduated from San Jose State University after meeting the love of his life, Ms. Saphrona Williams.

Chuck's dedication to his community did not end with completion of his undergraduate studies. Instead, he embarked on a career with the Santa Clara County Probation Department. Serving first as a counselor for one of

the Juvenile facilities, Chuck assiduously worked his way up in the department, eventually becoming head of the County's Juvenile Hall.

Chuck was a crucial member of the South Bay's civil rights movement. Chuck's spirit, character, and gregariousness made him one of the area's most beloved historians. Among many others, Chuck captured iconic photographs from his time at the Good House in the 1950's and at the San Jose Woolworth sit-ins in the 1960's. On the occasion of his passing, I join Chuck's many loved ones in mourning his loss, while also celebrating and honoring his extraordinary life.

#### HONORING 211 DAY

### HON. TIM BURCHETT

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 2023

Mr. BURCHETT. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor National 211 Day, which recognizes the vital services provided by this hotline for vulnerable folks in our community.

The 211 Hotline provides free and confidential crisis and emergency counseling, disaster assistance, food, health care and insurance assistance, veteran services, and so much more.

The specialists on this hotline take the time to listen to those calling on, and work hard to find the underlying problems they are experiencing and connect them with the resources and services in their community that can help with whatever they need.

It helps nearly 25 million Americans across the country, and the Tennessee network has been recognized as leaders in this service. This makes sense, since East Tennessee was the 2nd area in the United States to launch 211, and now 96 percent of the country has this service in place.

Too often, members of our community experience major issues and simply don't know where to turn for the help they need. The Hotline helps with that problem in a major way, and I want to recognize the dedicated professionals at 211 for their service.

#### JUSTIN PFANNEBECKER

### HON. YADIRA CARAVEO

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#### DR. HOWARD NELSON JR.'S 100TH BIRTHDAY

### HON. EMANUEL CLEAVER

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 2, 2023

Mr. CLEAVER. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to celebrate the 100th birthday of a very special Kansas Citian who also happens to be a native Washingtonian. Dr. Howard Nelson, Jr. was born February 11, 1923, the youngest of 4 children. His parents, Howard and Florence Nelson, came from a community outside Charlottesville, Virginia. His parents' mantra was "education, education, education." They dedicated their lives to ensuring that their children would be college educated. As the youngest child, Dr. Nelson was affectionately called "babe," a name that family and close friends still use when referring to him today. In 1939, Dr. Nelson graduated from Paul Lawrence Dunbar High School in Washington, D.C. In the 1940s, he was drafted into the U.S. Army and was one of 12 Black soldiers selected to attend Officer Candidate School, where he was one of 3 to graduate. Dr. Nelson was then assigned to the 92nd Infantry Division, which was the only Black division to see combat during WWII in Italy. After serving this great country with distinction, Dr. Nelson attended Howard University and earned a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Sociology. During his time at Howard, Dr. Nelson was inducted into the men of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity. In 1957, Dr. Nelson moved to Kansas City and opened his dental practice where he served the community for almost 45 years. Dr. Nelson was married to Evelyn, with whom he had 2 children—a daughter Karon (now 72) who is a local attorney, and a son Howard Drake "Skip" Nelson III, who followed in his dad's footsteps and became a successful dentist. Sadly, Skip predeceased his dad in September 2007. Dr. Nelson has several grandkids.

In 1964, Dr. Nelson became Chairman of the Kansas City Chapter of the Congress of Racial Equality ("CORE"), an organization founded in 1942 that became one of the leading activist organizations in the early years of the civil rights movement. On June 26, 1964,

Dr. Nelson, then a successful 41-year-old dentist, and dedicated to the escalating fight for civil rights, suddenly found himself being lifted and physically removed from the Parkway Bowling Club, now long gone from 49th and Prospect Avenue. Dr. Nelson led a group of CORE members in a peaceful protest of the Parkway Bowling Club, which refused to allow Black people to bowl. The group refused to leave the premises and were later arrested and charged with disturbing the peace. This moment was historically memorialized by a then virtually unprecedented photo of Dr. Nelson being carried away by police. This fact was acknowledged in a Kansas City Star series of articles entitled "The Truth in Black and White," which recognized that a decade into the struggle for civil rights, the newspaper had deliberately not published photos of any Black leaders of the movement on the front pages of either the Kansas City Star or the Kansas City Times. Consider for a moment that the paper did not publish photos of Emmett Till upon his horrific death in 1955, nor when his killers were unjustly acquitted, nor the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. when he came to Kansas City in 1957, nor the Black Kansas Citians picketing outside segregated downtown department stores in 1958, nor the NAACP's protests in 1960 over segregation at restaurants and movie theaters. Consider during that same week of June 26, 1964, three CORE field workers—James Chaney of Mississippi, along with Andrew Goodman and Michael Schwerner from New York—would go missing and were later found brutally murdered as part of what are now known as the "Mississippi burning" murders. What was the crime Chaney, Goodman, and Schwerner committed justifying being murdered? Registering Black folks to vote. Hence, the foregoing contextual facts are a testament to Dr. Nelson's profound courage and convictions, and they show his willingness to risk his life, liberty, and livelihood.

In addition to leading sit-ins at the local bowling alley, Dr. Nelson also challenged housing segregation. In the early 1960s, Dr. Nelson and his family lived on 36th and Cleveland, but he and his wife Evelyn wanted the best education for his children, so they started looking for a place to build a new home near good schools. They looked in Johnson County, Kansas, a suburban enclave that had seen rapid growth in the post-war years, a population aided in no small part by racist deed restrictions and housing covenants that had shut out people like the Nelsons. One lot was left in an area that Dr. Nelson liked in an up-and-coming neighborhood along 103rd Street in Overland Park. Banks ignored him when he tried to get a loan to build the house even though he had the finances, and architects were unwilling to design a house for a Black family in a white neighborhood. So, Dr. Nelson's wife Evelyn's Episcopal church group stepped in to help. They bought the house for the Nelsons and then turned around and sold it to them. Dr. Nelson and his family fastidiously maintained the home, the yard, and the swimming pool out back, and they "never had any trouble with the neighbors." Living in a segregated neighborhood in Overland Park was, in its own way, an act of defiance in Dr. Nelson's book. Dr. Nelson sought to "raise the consciousness of the people in Kansas City." Coincidentally, that house is today occupied by another Black man named Mr. Byron

Roberson, who happens to be the first Black Police Chief for the Prairie Village Police Department.

Professionally, Dr. Nelson continued his list of being a man of many "firsts" including first Black to serve on the Board of Governors of the Dental Association in 1972, where he served 2 terms. In 1986, the Missouri Governor appointed Dr. Nelson to be the first Black person to serve on the Missouri State Dental Board, eventually becoming the body's first Black President in 1991. Dr. Nelson was one of the first Black people to teach at the UMKC School of Dentistry, and Dr. Nelson served on the founding board of the Wayne Minor Health Center now known as Dr. Samuel U. Rodgers Health Center. As you can see, I am so very proud and honored to stand before you today to wish Dr. Howard Nelson a very happy 100th birthday.

#### PERSONAL EXPLANATION

### HON. TERESA LEGER FERNANDEZ

OF NEW MEXICO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 2, 2023*

Ms. LEGER FERNANDEZ. Mr. Speaker, had I been present, I would have voted YEA on Roll Call No. 91.

#### PAYING TRIBUTE TO HOPE DERRICK

### HON. JAMES E. CLYBURN

OF SOUTH CAROLINA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 2, 2023*

Mr. CLYBURN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a dedicated Congressional staffer, trusted confidante, and friend. Hope Derrick has served the people of South Carolina's 6th Congressional District as a member of my staff for over 20 years throughout the last 3 decades. She is the model image of a public servant and deserves to be celebrated and congratulated on her retirement.

Hope was born on July 13, 1968, in Birmingham, Alabama to the late Charles Warren Derrick of Marion, South Carolina and Ann Berry Derrick of Spartanburg, South Carolina. They returned to the Palmetto state when she was 8 years old. She has called Columbia, South Carolina home ever since. Hope attended Spring Valley High School and upon her graduation pursued further education at Boston University, where she received a bachelor's in journalism with a concentration in broadcasting.

After graduation, Hope began her career as a reporter for a local TV and radio station, covering political news relating to the South Carolina Congressional Delegation. In 1993, she became Communications Director for the South Carolina Democratic Party. Two years after I began my Congressional career, Hope joined my staff as Communications Director in my district office. In 1998, shortly after giving birth to her son, Ethan, she left for a year to live in London with her husband, Marc Turner, during his teaching Fulbright. She returned to my office in 1999 and shortly thereafter gave birth to her daughter Emery in 2000.

Hope served diligently in this role for almost 19 years, until stepping away from congress-

sional work in 2013, to work at the University of South Carolina in Columbia, South Carolina. She first served as the Associate Director for Strategic Communications, and later as the Assistant to the Dean of Libraries for Special Projects.

During this time Hope al earned a master's degree in Library and Information Science. In 2019, after 5 years at the University, Hope returned to my staff as Communications Director in my Majority Whip office.

Throughout her many years in my office, Hope has been crucial in navigating the press and helping to communicate my message to constituents. From my highly charged efforts to name the Matthew J. Perry, Jr. United States Court House to my controversial establishment of the Lake Marion Regional Water Agency; to hosting innumerable Presidential candidates at my "World Famous Fish Fry" to assisting in the production of my memoir, *Blessed Experiences*; and truly countless other moments, Hope was there. She has played a critical role in the development of my career and service, and in her retirement, I hope to continue utilizing her talents.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you and our colleagues join me in recognizing this dedicated public servant. Hope Derrick's retirement is well-earned and well-deserved. I wish her all the best as she embarks upon new adventures in the state she and I hold so dear.

#### IN LOVING MEMORY OF MARIE ANTOINETTE (NETTER) HEFLIN

### HON. JONATHAN L. JACKSON

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 2, 2023*

Mr. JACKSON of Illinois. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Marie Antoinette (Netter) Heflin, who unfortunately passed away earlier this year. I am grateful to have grown up knowing Marie and her children and my prayers are with them as they cherish the legacy of their mother.

Born in Rosedale, Mississippi, Marie Heflin moved to Chicago as a child. Deeply committed to her faith at even a young age, Marie gave her life to the New Morning Star Missionary Baptist Church on the west side of Chicago. And in combination with her seriousness in her relationship to the church, Marie also understood the importance of education at an early age.

While attending Lucy Flower High School, Marie studied nursing and went on to continue her education at the Chicago Teachers College. In her desire to keep learning, Marie earned a Master's Degree in Education at the prestigious University of Chicago and worked as a Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN). Marie's tireless commitment to academic pursuits was evident throughout her life as she returned to school to become an English teacher while raising a family of her own. She taught at the Joseph Brenneman Elementary School and later at the Walter H. Dyett Middle School and instilled the same love of learning in her children.

During the beginning of her career, Marie met, and became friends with, Gloria Allen. Gloria would soon introduce Marie to her brother, James Edward Heflin, affectionately known as "Chico." This introduction changed

her life as Marie and James were united in holy matrimony on October 7, 1961. They were married for 59 years and shared great joy in raising their 3 children, Fem, Gary, and Marla.

I was lucky to have the good fortune of attending school with Gary and Marla where we became fast friends. I consider them as siblings of my own and share in their grief since Marie has left us. From day one of meeting, I knew that I would have friends for life in the Heflin family and their support and guidance has remained invaluable to me. And while she taught in a classroom, Marie taught me important life lessons that have remained with me through the years. Mrs. Heflin fostered a closeness with her family that I will value for a lifetime.

I am certain that Marie will be remembered for all of her wonderful talents, the comfort she provided to anyone in need, and her unconditional love for her family and friends. I hope that memories of her continue serving as a blessing to those she loved most.

#### INTRODUCTION OF THE SUSTAINABLE BUDGET ACT

#### HON. ED CASE

OF HAWAII

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Thursday, February 2, 2023*

Mr. CASE. Mr. Speaker, can anyone with any halfway working knowledge of government finances seriously dispute that our federal fiscal house is dangerously out of order?

Our national debt is approaching \$32 trillion, doubling in just the last decade alone, and up some \$3 trillion in just the 2 years since I last introduced my Sustainable Budget Act in February 2021. More directly, our debt-to-gross domestic product (GDP), or the measure of our economy's ability to sustain national debt, now stands at 120 percent, doubling since 2000. The fastest-growing part of our federal budget continues to be interest payments on our debt, increasingly outpacing and crowding out critical defense and non-defense spending alike.

In a Congress where we often repeat the platitude that our budget reflects our values, it is disturbing that the main common value re-

flected is fiscal unsustainability ranging to irresponsibility. We need look no further than a mirror for the root cause: our collective inability to face the music of fiscal responsibility and sustainability.

We clearly need help with our collective inability to confront this reality. My Sustainable Budget Act, again co-introduced yesterday with Congressman STEVE WOMACK, is at least a start toward a solution. It would follow the models of Simpson-Bowles and other such independent, bipartisan commissions charged with focusing on our deficits and debt and recommending a sustainable path for an up-or-down vote by Congress.

Our bill is similar to other proposals, including the TRUST Act that I have reintroduced with Congressmen SCOTT PETERS and MIKE GALLAGHER to save our foundational entitlement programs from similar unsustainability. Together, they offer a far better way to tackle our debt crisis than denial, anger, avoidance, diversion and rhetoric. I urge their prompt consideration and passage.

#### INTRODUCTION OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA NATIONAL GUARD HOME RULE ACT

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Ms. NORTON. Mr. Speaker, today, I introduce the District of Columbia National Guard Home Rule Act, which would give the Mayor of the District of Columbia control over the D.C. National Guard. Senator CHRIS VAN HOLLEN is the sponsor of the companion bill in the Senate.

The governors of the states and territories control their National Guards while the president controls the D.C. National Guard. This bill would give the D.C. Mayor the same control over the D.C. National Guard that the governors of the states and territories have over their National Guards. The president would have the same authority to federalize the D.C. National Guard that the president has to federalize the National Guards of the states and territories.

The attack on the U.S. Capitol on January 6, 2021, and the events at Lafayette Square

on June 1, 2020, are prime examples of why the D.C. Mayor should control the D.C. National Guard. On January 6th, the Trump Administration delayed deploying the D.C. National Guard to the Capitol for several hours, likely costing lives and prolonging the attack. At Lafayette Square, the Trump Administration used the D.C. National Guard to forcibly remove peaceful protestors for a presidential photo op.

Governors generally deploy the National Guard for natural disasters and civil disturbances. The D.C. Mayor, who knows D.C. better than any federal official, should be able to deploy the D.C. National Guard for natural disasters and civil disturbances, too. In the event of a large-scale attack on a federal facility in D.C., the D.C. Mayor would almost certainly deploy the D.C. National Guard to protect the facility. However, in the unlikely event that the D.C. Mayor did not do so, the president would have the authority to federalize and deploy the D.C. National Guard to do so. This is no different from the division of authority today between a governor and the president in the event of a large-scale attack on a federal facility in a state or territory.

Moreover, presidential control over the D.C. National Guard creates a loophole in the Posse Comitatus Act, which limits the military's involvement in civilian law enforcement. The Department of Justice's Office of Legal Counsel has opined that when the D.C. National Guard is operating for non-federal purposes, even though it is an exclusively federal entity, it may be used for civilian law enforcement without violating the Posse Comitatus Act.

Last Congress, the House passed this bill as part of the fiscal year (FY) 2022 National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA) and the FY 2023 NDAA.

My bill is another important step toward completing the transfer of full self-government powers to D.C. that Congress began with the passage of the Home Rule Act of 1973, when it delegated most of its authority over D.C. matters to an elected chief executive (mayor) and legislature (Council). This bill follows that model.

I urge my colleagues to support this bill, which would improve public safety in the nation's capital and be a historic advance in D.C. self-government.